

# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY HISTORICAL INFORMATION

### 2006 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

6 PM, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22 – 11:59 PM, MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

### 78-HOUR HOLIDAY PERIOD

In Tennessee, there were 9 fatal crashes resulting in 9 deaths, yielding a fatality rate of one death per eight hours and thirty-six minutes.

5 crashes were single vehicle crashes; 4 were multiple vehicle crashes.

Three of the fatalities occurred in alcohol-related crashes.

All nine of the fatalities were vehicle occupants.

Six of the 9 were not wearing safety restraints.

Four of the 6 were ejected from their vehicle.

No child passenger requiring a child restraint device was killed.

### FATALITY LOG

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>HIGHWAY</u>	<u>NUMBER KILLED</u>	<u>ALCOHOL RELATED</u>
1.	Friday	1800	Obion	SR-43	1	Yes
2.	Friday	2010	Campbell	County Road	1	Yes
3.	Saturday	0320	Franklin	SR-15	1	No
4.	Saturday	0810	Rutherford	SR-1	1	No
5.	Saturday	1350	Trousdale	City Street	1	No
6.	Sunday	1810	Tipton	SR-59	1	No
7.	Sunday	2220	Montgomery	SR-76	1	No
8.	Monday	1317	Davidson	I-65	1	No
9.	Monday	1900	Dekalb	SR-56	1	Yes

### HIGHEST DEATHS

In 1969, 22 people were killed in Tennessee traffic crashes during the 30-hour Christmas holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 1.4 hours.

### LOWEST DEATHS

In 1963, one person was killed in Tennessee traffic crashes during the 30-hour Christmas holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 30 hours.

*The 2007 Christmas holiday period will begin 6 PM, Friday, December 21 and end 11:59 PM, Tuesday, December 25. This will be a 102-hour holiday period.*